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Radio City Christmas Spectacular



Health & Fitness Fair/MWR Golf Outing, 9 Oct 03



**Spaghetti & Santa,
9 & 10 Dec 03**



**Liberty Science Center
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6 Nov 03,
Alex & Juliana Garcia**

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Welcome and Editor's Note:

Remember "MWR - is for all of your life". The best Army in the world deserves the best MWR services - count on it!

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* Community * Growth *
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If you have an article for the connection please provide it to Sue Elias, email - selias@pica.army.mil or call me at (973) 724-7246.

We provide quality of life programs to the Picatinny Arsenal Community to include active duty military, retirees, civilian employees, National Guard/Reservists and all their family members as well as to our partnered communities. Our events/programs cover the gamut - recreation, family support, food, beverage and entertainment.

As always I look forward to your feedback.

Sue Elias

Please visit our **MWR**

Homepage -

<https://w4.pica.army.mil/mwr/> to find out more about what we have to offer you! Our programs are listed in alphabetical order.

MWR Calendar of Events,

<http://www.calendarserver.com/calendar/?account=22663>

Details of our major programs and events can be found on these calendar pages. Let us help you plan your calendar and your recreational activities.

Please browse through our site!

In addition the current issue of the **MWR Community Connection (Sep-Dec03)** is also available for you to read at our MWR website: <https://w4.pica.army.mil/mwr/MWR/Sep03Dec03.pdf>

Look for the MWR link on the Picatinny Federal Credit Union homepage: <http://www.picatinnycu.org/>

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THE CANNON GATE

CATERING & CONFERENCE CENTER



PICATINNY MONTHLY DINNER BUFFET— Dates for next upcoming buffets are **20 November and 18 December**. Don't miss our monthly buffet featuring Chef Carved Roast Beef and Fresh Turkey along with full salad bar and homemade soup. A great bargain at \$12 per person. Complimentary glass of beer, wine or soda included.

Let us Host your Next Holiday Party!
Our establishment overlooks a beautiful 18-hole golf course and offers banquet rooms featuring a variety of amenities - views...fireplace...ambiance...intimacy. We cater large events (up to 250 guests), small or intimate functions. We pride ourselves on our excellent food and our dedication to customer service. We are proud to serve homemade, quality menu items.

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION — Usually a sell out so please call for reservations. As in the past this year promises to be a fun time for all.

The menu will be:
Crab Bisque Soup
Tossed Salad
Filet Mignon & Stuffed Shrimp
Baked Potato, Zucchini with Mushrooms
Dessert - Pear En Crout with Chocolate Sauce
Coffee, Tea
Cash Bar
Continental Breakfast with Omelet Station at 1:00 a.m.
Champagne Toast at Midnight
Party Favors included
\$60.00 per person
Seating at 8:30 p.m.
Entertainers-
featuring Table Magic by Bob Gallo, 9-10:30pm and
DJ Rockin Rod all night long!
Call for Reservations
(973) 724-2582



Successful **wine tasting** at The Cannon Gate Catering & Conference Center held on 26 Sep 03! If you would like us to host another tasting please contact the The Cannon Gate office at (973) 724-CLUB or email dipietro@pica.army.mil or selias@pica.army.mil.

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THE GOLF & PRO SHOP

A Season of Records:

For the record, this past golf season (Apr-Aug) was the wettest (June set a record), longest, consecutive days of rainfall (14 days straight in Aug) combined with a two week stretch of humid tropical air and lack of air movement and sunlight (in Aug) that we have seen in many, many years. We received over 8" above the average rainfall amount during this time period. We also recorded the lowest amount of rounds played, also weather related, than anytime in the past 10+ seasons.

With all the humid, wet conditions we experienced, the golf course was never given a chance to dry out before the next torrential rainstorm came through. This increased the severity in the amount of fungus (which golf suppers up and down the east coast tried to combat with fungicides), which required us to apply increased amounts of fungicides then normal (which would be washed off before drying as required for control). This lack of fungicide control and the lack of dry conditions caused turf fungus to run rampant.

We are currently recovering from the turf damage on our greens due to these virtually uncontrollable conditions. With the aggressive turf restoration program we have put into place we expect to recover most, if not all, turf damaged areas. With that in mind we (the Golf Pro and Golf Super) have decided to delay the planned FY 04 renovation of the 18th green (originally scheduled for Sep-Nov) and devote our resources to course turf restoration, which will include:

*Fairway turf/drainage restoration: (priority holes #8, 11 & 13)

*New/Existing Cart Paths: (priority's # 9, 12 & 14)

*Bridge Renovations: (priority holes: # 6, 11 & 18)

I know you will agree with me that when we look back at Golf in 2003 we will remember:

*the record winter that extended well into the spring (last of snow melted, 29 Mar)

*a summer of extremes, rain & humidity

*10 yr. record low of rounds played

We all are looking forward to much better conditions (weather as well as turf) that we expect next season will bring.



A Great Big "THANK YOU"!.....

As our golfing season (what season??) draws to a close I would like to take the opportunity to thank those who have helped to make it all happen. There is a small group of volunteers who are here long before we open to set up the carts and help on Monday mornings to fuel carts and fill divots. Thanks to Fred Santucci, Vince Barbato (who shot his age of 87 this year), Frank Davit, Jim Spillman, Ernie Dallman, Chet Siskos, Larry Dietz and Herb Fall. There are also two other volunteers who repair clogged drainage lines (which we needed unclogged more often this year than any other) our thanks also to John Klusick and Charlie Russo. Once again fellows thanks for all you do!

Also thanks to both the golf shop staff as well as the golf maintenance employees for working under less than favorable conditions to provide the service that all of our patrons expect as well as deserve.

Pro Shop

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THE GOLF & PRO SHOP

A Message for the 18 Hole Ladies Golf Group

The regular golf season has come to an end and time to say Thanks to all of the people who helped make the Ladies events successful and enjoyable. To the husbands who loaded and unloaded bags on our Invitational Day and the Rally for A Cure outings. To the Pro and his entire staff for getting us off the tee on time and giving us assistance when asked to do so. Both these events were enjoyable due to all of you. To Chris Kunkel and his crew who managed to keep the course in playing condition in spite of the handicap provided by the weatherman. Although the rough was a little tough to get through toward the end of the season. I know because I spent a lot of time there. Anyway "Thanks, Guys" To Barb Huntley, Chair for the Invitational Day and Jane McCarthy, Chair for the Rally for A Cure outing. These ladies and their committees expended a tremendous amount of effort to bring these two special events together.



Let's hope next year's events will be just as successful.

To those of you who will head for warmer golf weather, have a great winter and to all of us who stash the clubs in the closet for the winter keep thinking "Spring will be here soon" and stay warm. See you all next year.

Sue Coppola

9 Hole Ladies Golf Group -

It's not too early to think about becoming a member of the 9 hole league. New members are always welcome and all levels of play are encouraged to join. Our season begins April 2004. For additional information, please call Maureen Gehbauer at 973-584-1439.



REMINDER - Use your golf GIFT CERTIFICATES by 15 Dec 03...shop the golf shop sale now! 20% off clothing, 10% off equipment!

21 Nov - Golf Shop Holiday Party

19 Dec - Golf Shop Closes

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE



The dates for the **Pheresis** collections are: Nov 21, and Dec 12. To make an appointment for Pheresis collections, call: Joyce DeGhetto (732) 220-7097.

The Pheresis collections are on the NJ Blood Services Bus that is parked in the Parking Lot of the Clinic (Bldg 118).

Kick off to the Holiday Season at Picatinny....

Picatinny tradition of kicking off our holiday season with our Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be on Tuesday December 2nd at 1600. Everyone is invited to gather at the Tree by the Gazebo and join the rest of the community for refreshments, holiday sing-a-longs and of course Santa! The ever popular Spaghetti and Santa Community Holiday Parties are set for 9 and 10 December at the Club...Are you ready to see Santa and tell him that you have been good? There will be dinner, sing-a-longs and time for each child to sit on Santa's lap for a picture. Tickets will be available through ACS. Get your tickets early - Santa is a sell-out! For more information call Tammy Trainor at 724-4939.

Message to Parents: TALKING WITH YOUR TEEN ABOUT DRUGS AND DRIVING

Driving under the influence has been a problem for many years in the United States. Drunk driving makes the headlines, but the dangers of driving after smoking marijuana or using other drugs has often been overlooked. And, unfortunately, young people aren't making the connection. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), illegal drugs are used by approximately 10-22 percent of drivers involved in all motor vehicle crashes, often in combination with alcohol. Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) recently found that the majority of licensed teen drivers who use drugs "regularly" report they "drug and drive" (69 percent); and, more than half of the teens who are using drugs are not concerned about riding in a car with a driver who is using drugs (57 percent). Have you talked to your kids about the risks of riding with someone who is driving high on marijuana? Parents are the single greatest influence on their children when

it comes to decisions about driving and using drugs – you CAN make a difference. Learn more about the dangers of drugged driving at www.theantidrug.com Also, The Employee Assistance Office has a good selection of videotapes that address addictions both for the parents to view as well as the teenage audience. Below is just a sample of some of the videotapes on this subject. You may arrange to have a loan of any of the videotapes by calling 724-4357.

- A Video for Parents on How to Talk to Your Kids About Drinking
- Failing John: A Parents Guide to Confronting Teen Substance Abuse
- The Power of Choice: Drugs and Alcohol – Part I and Part II, featuring Michael Pritchard
- The Power of Choice: Drinking and Driving, featuring Michael Pritchard
- The Guidance Club for Kids...What Every Kid Should Know About Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

ITR "TAKE OFF" CENTER

Community Recreation - "Take Off" Center, Bldg 34 - X4014



Upcoming Bus Trips - Guests are always welcome on our trips - sign up family and friends.

New York Museum Excursion, Saturday, November 15 - the bus departs from Picatinny at 9am and will make stops at both the Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. You pay us for transportation only, \$15/person. The cost of your museum admission is on your own; approximately \$10/adult or \$6/child. Some people choose to spend the day just exploring in New York. We will return back to the Arsenal at 5:30pm.

Don't let the winter blahs get you down.....join us for an escorted charter bus day trip on the following excursions:

Atlantic City...here we come!

This trip will be done on two dates; Saturday, January 24 and Sunday, February 22 for those of you who have to work on Saturday and have asked us to do a Sunday trip. The price of the trip is \$19 per person and casino destination and coin return is not available at press time. We will depart at 8:00 AM and return to the Arsenal at approximately 7:30 PM. So, make your plans and join us.

Radio City Christmas Spectacular or the Christmas Carol at Madison Square Garden.

Tue, NOV 25, Radio City - \$55/person for charter bus transportation, Christmas Spectacular orchestra seats and free time in New York.

Sat, DEC 13, Christmas Carol at Madison Square Garden -

This show is in its 10th and FINAL year. If you have not seen it, this is your last chance. \$85 for orchestra seats, charter bus transportation and free time in the City.

Fri, DEC 19, Radio City - \$85/person for this wonderful spectacular. Enjoy the lights of the Rockefeller Christmas tree and visit St. Patrick's Cathedral in your free time.

New York City Museum Excursion - Saturday, 7 February - \$15/person for charter bus transportation only - We depart at 9 AM and travel to New York where we make drops at both the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Natural History. You can choose either museum to visit or you can spend the day sight seeing in New York. The bus will pick up at both museums in the afternoon and will be back at

Picatinny around 5:30 PM. Entrance fees to the museums are on your own and range from \$5 to \$10.

These are the winter trips that we schedule because if there is a big snowstorm, we can cancel without a penalty. So, check your calendars and join us as we fight the winter doldrums!

Entertainment 2004 Books -

This holiday gift makes it easy for everyone on your list in the Northern New Jersey area.

Dining and entertainment coupons to use throughout the year and save, save, save!! We have the Morris/Sussex edition, the Bergen/Passaic edition and the Hudson/Union edition at only \$22 each.

ITR email list: The "Take Off" Center is gathering names to use as an email mailing list. This is especially for retired military and civilian customers who would like to see the notices we put out to the Picatinny Community email distribution. You would get notices of trips, tickets and membership sign ups for all recreation activities. Please email your email name so we can add you to our list. My email is lpienkos@pica.army.mil

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SALUTE TO THE MILITARY

Active Duty Military: There is still time to take advantage of the FREE offers made earlier this year. Busch Entertainment; Universal Studios and Disney have made the following offers:

DisneyWorld: One complimentary 5-Day DisneyWorld ticket for the military member and may purchase up to 5 5-day passes for dependents at the price of only \$99 each (plus tax). Only available at the park itself (not available at ITR). Must be used before 19 December.

DisneyLand in California has a different program; call ITR for details.

Universal Studios, Florida:

Active duty member receives a free 5 day pass (to be used on consecutive days). In addition, up to five family members and friends may purchase a five day Bonus Pass for \$50 each (plus tax). Expires December 19.

These offers are also good for reservists and National Guard members who have been deployed. You will need to bring a copy of your active duty orders. More information is available at ITR....please call 973-724-4014 and we will help you with your questions.

Picatinny Guest House and Recreation Trailers:

2 options for your recreation and temporary housing needs. The Guest House, located at 110 Farley Avenue, has 3 motel-like rooms and one Suite. Rooms rent for \$40/night and the Suite is \$56. Reservations are taken on the first working day of each month for the following month; example: on 1 September, all the days in October will open up for reservations. Active Duty have a priority sign up beginning 10 days earlier.

The Recreation Trailers are located on Snakehill Road out by the Heliport. There are 14 fully furnished mobile homes available for rent. Call now to check on availability.....there is a two night minimum....so call now whether you need a short term stay or are looking for some temporary housing for a month or two. We may be able to assist you with your lodging needs.

Holiday Gifts

Large Flags - 24" by 48" - ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES and COAST GUARD flags. Buy one for a veteran to fly proudly in recognition of their service. \$16 each.

Picatinny Cannon Gate Logo Items.....

Picatinny Cannon Gate logo Golf Shirts - Black - \$26

Picatinny Cannon Gate logo long sleeved Denim Shirts - \$30

Picatinny Cannon Gate lapel pins - \$5

Holiday plush animals - \$8 to \$20

Picatinny Cannon Gate logo baseball caps - \$15

Other items include:

Denim long sleeved shirts, baseball hats, hunter orange hats, Framed Historical Print , Deluxe Framed Historical Print

Check out the following military travel websites for your leisure travel needs:

offdutytravel.com

govarm.com

afvclub.com

military.com

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES



FAMILY, CHILD AND YOUTH

*In a Harris Poll of junior-high and high-school students, 40% said they get eight or more hours of sleep on a typical school night. For those in grades 10-12, the figure was 26%. Meanwhile, 33% of all students get 6 hours or less of sleep per school night. The good news is many kids take naps; the bad news, they take them in school. 15% of those who get too little sleep at night said they often fall asleep in class. Kids who sleep at least eight hours a night are twice as likely to get A's as kids who get less than six hours. 70% of those who sleep too little confessed to often having difficulty waking up in the morning, but so did 37% of those who said they get enough sleep. In terms of having difficulty paying attention in school - 16% of those who get enough sleep have this problem, while 34% of those who get too little sleep do. Those figures are 43% vs. 61% for often feeling bored, 18% vs. 34% for often feeling lonely and 15% vs. 23% for having thought of dropping out of school. [ADWEEK, May 12, 2003]

*Roughly 4 million babies are born per year, and even though that number hasn't changed much in the past 15 years, demographers believe we're on the cusp of another boom, possibly higher than the peak of the Baby Boom. Thanks primarily to the wave of Generation Y women (born between 1977 and 1994), who are entering their prime child-bearing years; and the growing number of Hispanics, who, on average, have more children than white, black and Asian families. According to the National Center for Health statistics, births to teen mothers have fallen to historic lows, while births to women in their late 40s are double what they were in 1990. [American Demographics, May 2003]

*Families with school-age children plan to spend \$450.76 for back-to-school items in 2003, up from \$441.60 in 2002, according to BIGresearch. The average family expects to spend \$206.24 on clothing, \$84.44 on shoes, \$74.04 on school supplies and \$86.03 and \$86.03 on electronics and computer-related equipment. [Research Alert, August 15, 2003]

Before and after Kindergarten care is available on post through the School Age Services program at Picatinny. The program is open to active duty military, DOD civilians and DOD contractors. The Rockaway bus from Dennis O'Brien School transports students from and to the program daily for Rockaway residents. Patrons with Kindergarteners attending other schools or districts would need to arrange for their child to be transported to the program. The program offers activities, homework help and Computer Lab time to registered patrons. Enrollment also includes care on holidays and in service days on the Rockaway School Calendar.

The Before and After School program for children in grades K-5 is a for fee program based on Total Family Income. Picatinny also has an After School program for Middle School youth which is available at no cost to eligible patrons. Rockaway's Copeland Middle School buses registered youth to the program. For more information, visit our website below or call Central Registration at x5555.

www.pica.army.mil/mwr/cys/

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES



Family Child Care-

We would like to welcome to our Picatinny community our Certified Family Childcare Providers, Alana and Evelyn. They have been certified by our program and now have space available for your child. The family childcare program conducts extensive background clearances, fire and health inspections, and have received the latest training in life saving skills and child development. These homes are inspected on a regular basis by our CYS team. In addition, these providers will be offering USDA approved meals from a delicious and carefully planned menu. Some of the benefits of using a military homecare environment include: family style care; loving and caring providers; smaller groups; hours are flexible; and location. As always, our programs offer "Open Door Policy." You are most welcomed to visit with your child at any time. Spaces are limited. For more information and to schedule an appointment, please call the Central Enrollment Office at 973-724-5555. We look forward to serving you!

Community Halloween Parade and Fall Festival, October 24

The Halloween Parade will be 5:30-6:30 PM and start at the Aquatic Park. Participants will follow a Picatinny fire truck up and around the circle at Harris Court and back to the Aquatic Park. Participants will walk to the Teen Center where costume judging will take place. Prizes will be awarded in three age categories for the Scariest (Cutest for the under five age group) and Most Original costumes. For more info about the Halloween Parade, please call Youth Services at 973-724-7183. The Fall Festival and Red Ribbon Week observance will begin immediately following at 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Community Center. The Fall Festival will include a pot lock supper with participants bringing a covered dish, pumpkin painting, a chili cook off contest and pie contest with prizes. There will be a Pin the tail on the cat game for children. The Red Ribbon observance will include displays and poster pledges for participants to sign. "Goody Bags" with say no to drug give aways and coloring books will be given out.

For more information about the Fall Festival, please call the Army Community Service office at 973-724-7247.

School Age Services

Where will your children be? Dec 22 - Jan 3?...Feb 16-17? Many schools will be closed. Call School Age Services (973-724-5555) and let us give you peace of mind! We will entertain your children with computer lab time, arts and crafts, sports and recreational games.

TOTAL FITNESS



The **MCIRA Traveling Basketball league** will begin the first week of November and will run to the end of February. The league travels throughout Morris County, with a majority of Picatinny's games played home. There is approximately 35 teams that enter in to this league every year, 2 teams being from Picatinny. Games are played at Picatinny every Monday and Wednesday 6-9pm. To be eligible to play in this league a valid rec pass is required. For more info. please contact Total Fitness, x4629.

Rec Volleyball will be one month into the season in November, the league will begin the beginning of October and will be played till the end of March. Games are played twice a week, with two games being played a night. Games will begin at 5pm, and the second game at 6:30pm. Once the league finishes, there will be pick up games held at the fitness center one night a week. A valid rec pass is required to participate in the league.

The **Aerobics Program** is offering a vast variety of classes to improve your cardiovascular endurance as well as your flexibility. Some of the classes include a Step Aerobics class as well as Fat Burner Class. Other classes offered are a Flexible Strength Class and a Cardio Kickboxing Class. These classes are among the favorites and there are still some left not mentioned. The Instructors are contracted out to Black Bear Fitness and do a great job to keep everybody energized. We also have a number of certified volunteers who help to teach and fill in at times. The classes are held daily from 11:00 to 1:00 and may change in accordance with holidays and special Fitness Center events. Please check the website or stop by the Fitness Center for a schedule.



Both Rockaway Boys Basketball and Jefferson Youth Soccer requested court usage at the Fitness Center. Rockaway Basketball will begin the first Saturday in January through the 3rd week in March from 9-3pm, and Soccer will be on Friday nights 6:30-8:30pm beginning the first Friday in December and ending in February.

The Fitness Center also offers **Yoga** on Tuesdays at 11:30-12:30 for the fee of \$45 a month. Yoga classes are ongoing and can be joined at anytime. Yoga offers an opportunity to enrich one's body and soul and relax through a hard days work at Picatinny.

The Fitness Center offers **Isshyn-ryu Karate classes** for all ages. The classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday beginning at 4pm- 5:30 for adults and 5:30-7 for children. The classes are ongoing and can be joined anytime. The fees are monthly and \$30 or \$48 depending on how many days a week one wants to attend (1 or 2 days). The classes offer a great opportunity to maximize one's balance and strength.



ROD & GUN ASSOCIATION

Picatinny Rod and Gun Association

If you enjoy the outdoors as fisherpersons or hunters due come join the Picatinny Rod and Gun Association and enjoy. Fees are based on FY and are now due starting 1 October. Fishing and Hunting on post is fantastic, join us at a meeting being the first Wednesday of each month meeting starting 1700 hrs and see for yourself.

Activities put on by the Rod and Gun -

FISHING CONTESTS:

- OPEN WATER
- ICE
- BASS TOURNAMENTS
- ICE TOURNAMENTS
- TROUT CONTEST
- FREE FISHING DERBY FOR YOUTHS

- FREE USE OF BOATS ON THE ARSENAL LAKES & PONDS
- FREE BOAT REGISTRATION
- FREE USE OF ICE AUGER
- LUNKER TROUT POND
- LUNKER TROUT STREAM
- STOCKING OF TROUT, NORTHERN PIKE, WALLEYE, CATFISH and BASS

- HUNTING CONTEST
- DEER - BIG BUCK ARCHERY and GUN, TAGGED
- PHEASANT FOUR OR MORE EACH YEAR, DUCK HUNTING

- GOOSE HUNTING
- SMALL GAME HUNTING
- ARCHERY INDOOR & OUTDOOR RANGES (not at present time)
- TRAP & SKEET RANGE
- COMPETITION SHOOTS and AWARDS
- FREE USE OF TAPES FROM VIDEO LIBRARY
- USE OF LOGSPLITTER
- YOUTH ACTIVITIES -
- NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY, HOOKED ON FISHING NOT ON DRUGS, FISH DERBY



NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED EVERY MONTH

ANNUAL SPECIAL EVENTS:

- GAME DINNER and ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY
- PIG ROAST (Sept)
- NATIONAL HUNTING & FISHING DAY EVENT
- DECEMBER MEETING FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER

GENERAL MEETING EVERY MONTH, 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH @ 1700 HRS, IN BLDG # 337 THE ROD and GUN



National Hunting & Fishing Day and Pig Roast

OTHER NEWS



What is PMCC?

The Picatinny Military Civilian Club is a "Command Approved" private non-profit social organization, whose every action results in improved quality of life here through fundraising and volunteering. PMCC members are active as volunteers helping out whenever and wherever they can as the need arises. Through its many fundraisers held throughout the year, PMCC donated approximately \$5,000 to various organizations on post as well as a few national organizations. Members draw from the Picatinny Military and Civilian community, Active Duty and retirees. If you would like to join, call Vicky Maloney or attend the next function. The dues are only \$15 and cover operating expenses. Christmas Ornaments will be sold at the Ways and Means table at Choices, Hails and Farewells, Blood Drives, and Luncheons. The table will also feature Picatinny crystal and the cookbooks. Volunteers are needed to help at the ways and means table. Polish Pottery : PMCC has a history of supporting community events and will hold fundraisers

throughout the year. Look for Polish Pottery sales at the 1st luncheon and at CHOICES. Get your foursomes ready for the Annual Spring Golf Outing.

PMCC Activities

Dinner & Auction, 7:00pm, Nov 19th at The Club;
Annual Holiday Gift Exchange, 7:00 Dec 17th Place TBD;
White Elephant, 6:30 Jan 21st Grotke Home, 115 Farley Ave;
Wine Tasting, Feb 18th, Time and Place TBD;
Spring Garden Workshop, 7:00 March 17th Home Depot Dover;
Spring Fashion Show April 17th Place to be determined;
Cooking Demonstration May 19th Community Center

PMCC Board for 2003 –2004:

President: Colleen Grotke
First VP: Sheila Conner
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Treasurer: Liz Gwilliam,
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Parliamentarian: Tammy Trainor
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Hospitality: Reets Smith
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Donations: Michele Nash
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Historian: Stella Wilson
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Honorary Advisor: Kathy Izzo

The Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, New Jersey and Picatinny created a partnership "WHERE WONDERS NEVER CEASE" with so much vision, promise and potential the attributes of the program "...never cease".

It is fun to learn and it is free!

Visit the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) ITR "Take Off" Center, building 34S, Monday thru Friday, 0730 - 1500, to pick up your FREE ADMISSION passes to Liberty Science Center's Open Exhibits. This offer expires June 2004.

When you visit the Liberty Science Center show your access card at the Corporate Membership Desk (the line is much shorter than at the General Admission window).

For directions to Liberty Science Center visit their website: <http://www.lsc.org/welcome.html>

Vet Clinics - Call to make an appointment, (732) 532-2406 or DSN 992-2406. Next Vet Clinic date to be determine, 0730 to 1230, Bldg 1095. The Clinic will be able to see minor sick call patients.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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<i>Chapel Center</i>	<i>(973) 724-4139</i>
<i>Child Development Center</i>	<i>(973) 724-4337</i>
<i>Child Development Services</i>	<i>(973) 724-4994</i>
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